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SENATE BILL 5708

59th Legislature 2005 Regular Session

By Senators Finkbeiner, Thibaudeau, Keiser, McAuliffe and Kohl-Welles Read first time 02/02/2005. Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

- AN ACT Relating to the administration of epinephrine by emergency 1 2 medical technicians; and amending RCW 18.73.250.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.73.250 and 2001 c 24 s 1 are each amended to read 4 5 as follows:
 - (1) All of the state's ambulance and aid services shall make epinephrine available to their emergency medical technicians in their emergency care supplies. The emergency medical technician may administer epinephrine to ((a patient of any age upon the presentation of evidence of a prescription for epinephrine or to a patient under eighteen years of age:
- 12 (a) Upon the request of the patient or his or her parent or 13 guardian; or
- 14 (b) Upon the request of a person who presents written authorization 15 from the patient or his or her parent or quardian making such a 16 request)):
- 17 (a) A patient of any age upon the presentation of evidence of a prescription for epinephrine; 18

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(b) A patient eighteen years of age or older upon the request of the patient, or upon the request of a person who presents written authorization from the patient making such a request; and

- (c) A patient under eighteen years of age upon the request of the patient or his or her parent or quardian, or upon the request of a person who presents written authorization from the patient or his or her parent or quardian making such a request.
- (2) Any emergency medical technician, emergency medical service, or medical program director acting in good faith and in compliance with the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any civil damages arising out of the furnishing or administration of epinephrine.
- (3) Nothing in this section authorizes the administration of epinephrine by a first responder.

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